RAILROAD INTERESTS.

STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT BLISS. TRASE OF BOSTON AND ALBANY TO NEW-YORK

CENTRAL DISCUSSED. Boston, July 27 .- President Bliss of the Boston nd Albany Railroad to-day discussed the lease of nat road to the New-York Central. He avoided entioning the terms of the lease, which constitute the only subject of controversy between the fors and some of the stockholders, but he freely discussed the proposition in its broader bearings. Mr. Pliss intimated that the establishment of a through Vanderbilt line by the acquisition of the Boston and Albany will lead to improvements of the property, presumably including its terminal facilities, in proportion to the increased business which is expected to come to Boston. He said that the proposition to lease the property had been acted upon thus early in order that the stockholders might have sufficient time to discuss the matter before the next annual meeting, which takes place on September 27. Discussion, he said, is what the directors desire, and the wider the in-terchange of views between the stockholders the better the directors will like it.

between the Boston and Albany and the Central to the effect that each company had bound itself to turn over at Albany a certain amount of business, with a view to having the exchange on a reciprocal basis, and said that the Eastward shipments were 85 per cent greater than those to the West and while the tariffs on the merchandise moving

and while the tariffs on the merchandise moving toward the seaboard were astonishingly low, yet the handling of it was a profitable source of revenue to the Boston and Albany.

Consolidation of railroad properties, Mr. Bliss said, is generally followed by vast improvements in the physical condition of the roads taken, and he called attention to the condition of the Boston and Providence, the Old Colony system and the New-England roads since they came under the management of the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Road.

He said, in conclusion, that railroad traffic follows the line of least resistance, and if a through road from the West to points of distribution in New-England and to Boston can be maintained at a minimum of retroactive influences, its benefits will be manifold and permanent. This section needed a line of this kind, in view of the growing competition to the South, and the lease under consideration was a means to that end.

GUATEMALAN CENTRAL RAILROAD SOLD. NEW-YORK SYNDICATE THE REPORTED PUR-

San Francisco, July 27.-President Cabrera of Guatemala, has advised Consul General Galecio, this port, of the sale of the Guatemalan Central Railroad to a New-York syndicate. This road was the city of Guatemala eastward to Port Barrios. road, which connects the city of Guatemala with the radia seasoard. There are yet saxly mise of the road to be completed. There were three prospective purchasers, one of them being C. P. Huntington, and the others two New-York syndicates. Mr. Huntington, it is said, declined to buy the road. Which of the two New-York concerns is the purchaser President Cabrera does not state in his message. He, however, informs the Consul General ahat as a result of the sale exchange in Guatemala, which recently advanced to \$4.80, has fallen to \$1.80.

CHANGES IN NEWPORT NEWS ROADS. MALEXANDER BROWN & SON SECURE CONTROL OF PENILSULA LINE-BELT LINE ELEC-TRIC SYSTEM.

Newport News, Va., July 27 (Special) .-- Alexander Newport News, Va., July 2: Operation of Son, of Baltimore, to-day secured control of Son, of Baltimore, to-day secured control of through this city and of the Peninsula Railroad through this city meeting to-day, and disposed of a large block of with which went the controlling interest. The Browns will operate the line with their present road covering the same territory, although the two companies will remain distinct. It is also ane two companies will remain distinct. It is also given out that the Browns have finally secured control of the Pig Point road, and will in a few days close the deal for the Norfolk and Oceanview Tailroads, completing the belt line project, which involves about seventy-five miles of electric railroad and ferry line. The steamers to ply between Newport News and Pig Point and between West Norfolk and Norfolk have been secured.

NEW RAILWAY IN THE SOUTH. REPORTED PLAN OF ENGLISHMEN TO BUILD THE

It is reported that a strong English syndicate is the South, to be called the Pensacola and Norththe great Warrior coal fields of Alabama. Surveys are now being made, it is said, for this road, which will cross these railways: The Louisville and Nashville, the Mobile and Birmingham, the Great Southern, the Illinois Central, the Kansas City, Memphis and Dirmingham finally connecting with the Birmingham and Sheffield Railroad, or going through

to the Tennessee River. The projected road, if built, would give a new Pensacola, from which port these products would Pensacola, from which port these products would be shipped to Europe, the West Indies and the east coast of South America, and, on the completion of a canal across the Isthmus to the western coast of South America also, and to Australia, Asia and Africa. The Pensacola and Northwestern, as projected, is to be 239 miles in length, and 220 miles of this distance has already been located. It is said that the road will be bonded for \$20,000 a mile, Dock privileges and street rights of way have been obtained in Pensacola for the road.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC STOCK INCREASED.

San Francisco, July 27 (Special).—At a meeting yesterday of the stockholders of the Southern Padific Ratiroad Company, representing 96,500 shares, it was unanimously voted to increase the company's it was unanimously voted to increase the company's capital stock from \$150.000,000 to \$200.000,000. Second Vice-President Crocker issued a statement to-day in which, after announcing the increase in the stock, he stated that the purpose of the increase was to provide for the absorption of the Central Pacific. According to his statement the Central Pacific is to be "bought share for share by Southern Pacific stock." The action of the stockholders was unanimous.

NO FREIGHT ON DETROIT STREET ROADS. Detroit, July 27 .- Judge Lillibridge, of the Circuit Court, to-day delivered a decision permanently en joining the street railway companies from carry-ing freight over their lines within the city. Hitherto the suburban companies' cars have carried freight over the city companies' lines, although there has been no specific authority for doing so.

TO REACH GETTYSBURG BY ELECTRIC ROAD

Frederick City., Md., July 27 (Special).-New-York and Philadelphia capitalists have become inter-ested in the Friderick, Thurmont and Northern Electric Railroad over the mountains in this county. The line will be twenty miles in length, and the estimated cost is \$800.000. The project is part of the big scheme for an electric road from Washington, D. C., to the Gettysburg battle-field. The line is in course of construction from Washington to Rockville, Md.

DISCIPLINE ON THE LONG ISLAND R. R. W. F. Potter, general superintendent of the Long Island Railroad Company, writes to The Tribune to correct an impression regarding the new sys-

tem of discipline adopted by that road. He says: "In the method of discipline which we follow, and which is the practice of 50 per cent of the mileage of roads in the United States, we do not suspend. Discipline is administered and punishment given Discipline is administered and punishment given either by debit marks or discharge. For minor offences we enter a memorandum against a man's record, which can be offset by credit entries, which are given, but no actual suspension or loss of time or loss of pay takes place. Some of the best and largest roads in the country are working under the same method, such as the Louisville and Nashville, the Chicago. Burlington and Quincy, the Southern Railway system and a large number of others. The system is what is known as the 'discipline without suspension' or the 'Brown system of discipline,' taking its name from George A. Brown, general superintendent of the Fall Brook road, who instituted the plan."

TIME CHECKS ON THE LACKAWANNA. The management of the Delaware, Lackawanna

nd Western Railroad, within the next few days, will adopt a system of time checks. Each man will receive a check in the morning, which will be aken up at noon, given back to him on his return from dinner and taken up at night. In this way the time of each of the hundreds of men employed

will be checked every day.

An official of the company when seen yesterday said: "The action is not intended as a reflection on the men. The system is in vogue in many of the largest corporations in the country, and will not interfere with the working hours at the shops."

SUPERINTENDENT PRINCE RESIGNS.

Samuel F. Prince, for a number of years superintendent of motive power and rolling equipment of the Long Island Railroad, has resigned his place, the resignation to take effect on August 1. Mr. Prince leaves the Long Island Railroad to accept a place with the Reading Railroad, from which he came to the Long Island Railroad.

The Long Island Railroad Company has selected as Mr. Prince's successor Philip Wallis, of the Legist Valley Railroad.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

TAX RATE SATISFACTORY.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE MEN NOT SURPRISED.

MR. HARKNESS, HOWEVER, THINKS IT DOES NOT MAKE UP FOR WHAT BROOKLYN HAS LOST AND THAT THE REDUCTION

IS ONLY TEMPORARY.

The announcement that Brooklyn's tax rate for 1899 is \$2.35 on each \$100 assessed valuation was not a surprise to Brooklyn people, as it had been foreshadowed. The real estate men who have making money in transferring Brooklyn property said at once that it was a most satisfactory figure Considering that assessed valuations are comparatively higher in Brooklyn than in Manhattan, the real estate men assert that the tax rate is no lower than it ought to be.

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Owing to consolidation no assessment in 1898, and consequently no tax rate declared for Brooklyn. This year, as stated, it is only \$2.36, the lowest in fifteen years.

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dents of the Board of Assessors of the old city of Brooklyn, expressed their opinions to a Tribune reporter about the tax rate.

Mr. Harkness said: "All that we have got by consolidation is this reduction in the tax rate. does not make up, however, for what we lost in civic pride, independence and clean government. This low tax rate is simply a temporary matter Next year it will be on a level with the rate in Manhattan. I am sorry that I voted for consolida tion. There has not been the expected improvement real estate market, and that was one of the great inducements offered by the friends of consecution."

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Mr. Neff believed that the low tax rate was simply a matter of justice and equalization. He said that, so far as he knew, there were no politics behind the question, and that as property was of much greater value in Manhattan than in Brooklyn, he was not surprised that the rate should be lower in the latter than in the former borough.

Msny of the leading real estate agents said that they were pleased at the reduction in the tax rate.

CUBANS APPEAL FOR HELP.

GENERAL BROOKE'S ORDER RELATIVE TO HORSES DECLARED TO BE AN OUTRAGE.

I. M. De Varona, Assistant Chief Engineer Water Supply of Brooklyn, who is a veteran of the Ten Years War in Cuba and a native of Puerto Principe, has received an appeal from three dred residents of that city who feel themselves injured by the interpretation of a recent order by General Brooke. They want Mr. De Varona to bring their grievance to the attention of President McKinley and the new Secretary of War, Elihu Root. The same appeal has been made to other native Cubans who are now citizens of the United States. The signers are all property owners in Cuba, and four of them are naturalized American citizens-Miguel Machado, Bernabe San-Miguel Estrado and Miguel Garcia. petition has also been sent to General Brooke, and the petitioners wish to arouse public senti-

and the petitioners wish to arouse public sentiment in their favor.

Their complaint hinges on the fact that on June 20 last General Brooke issued a decree declaring that horses held by the soldiers during the last struggle should be considered as "war booty." It was generally supposed that this measure would be limited to horses belonging to the Spanish Army, which had the well known Government Army, which had the well known Government brand or mark. In the Province of Puerto Principe, however, the decree has been interpreted as comprising also horses belonging to private owners, many of whom also took part in the war and suffered severely thereby.

Mr. De Varona last night said: "I know the conditions in Puerto Principe perfectly, and I am satisfied that the interpretation of General Brooke's order there is a gross outrage. It amounts to a practical confiscation of private property."

COMPLAINTS OF BURNING REFUSE.

FIRES ON LAND USED AS A DUMP SAID TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO HEALTH.

Residents of the Eastern Parkway between Al-Residents of the Eastern Parkway between the hand and Utica aves, are complaining of the annoyance of smoke arising from the burning of refuse in depressed lots adjoining, which the city is endeavoring to fill by using as a dump. Consents of the neighboring property owners were obtained by contractors before the city, in accordance with the provisions of the charter, began to clean the streets and collect ashes. The contractors have

since sublet the ground to the city.

Refuse is fired about 5 o'clock each afternoon, and the stench that arises with the dense smoke is said to be unendurable. More than that, it is deand the stenoh that arises were than that, it is desaid to be a source of great danger to health, as all sorts of rags and junk are burned. The Italians who have the privilege of sorting this are said to set it on fire when they go away for the afternoon, after taking out all they consider valuable. On after taking out all they consider valuable. On after taking out all they consider valuable. On the consider taking out all they consider valuable. On the constant that the Fire Department has been called out. The dumps are now located between Troy and Schenectady aves, south of Eastern Parkway.

It is said that many complaints have been lodged with the city authorities, but so far there has been no notice taken of them. Assistant Chief Clerk Jennings of the Health Department, however, says no complaints have been received this year, though one was received and attended to last year. When the residents made a formal complaint, he said, it would be investigated, and if the nulsance existed it would be stopped.

Deputy Commissioner Quinn said he knew no reason why the refuse should be set on fire. But the dumping, he said, was done with the full consent of the property owners.

BEACHES COVERED WITH FILTH.

DEAD ANIMALS A NUISANCE ON THE GRAVESEND BAY SHORE.

The beach along Gravesend Bay, from Bay Twenty-fifth-st., Bath Beach, to Bensonhurst, is in a bad condition, owing to the number of dead animals that are exposed to the rays of the sun at low tide. Yesterday afternoon there were ten animais in an advanced stage of decomposition lying on the sand within ten blocks. Bathers are complaining about the stench, and it is regarded as a proper time now for the Board of Health to take action in the matter. The same conditions prevail on parts of the beach between the beginning of the Shore Road and Owl's Head.

THE YACHT ALBATROSS DAMAGED.

The 70-foot schooner yacht Albatross, owned by C. M. Palmer, a New-York newspaper man, is ashore at Bay Twenty-fifth-st., Bath Beach, and it will be some time before the boat can be made ready for the water. Two days ago the Albatross. while trying to make her anchorage, got into shoal water and ran over a large iron sewer pipe that carries the sewage from the shore to deep water. The yacht's keel was badly sprung, and she was beached to save her from sinking.

O'NEILL CHARGED WITH MURDER. Hugh O'Neill, one of the three men wounded in

riot at Laurel Hill, Queens Borough, on Saturday night, July 3, was arraigned before Magistrate Connorton, in Long Island City, yesterday, on a charge of murder in the first degree. An examination was demanded by his counsel, Charles T. Duffy, and the case was set down for August 24. O'Nell! was shot in the back in the riot,

some days it was feared he would die. Dominick Flynn died from wounds received in the affray, and William Horton is still in St. John's Hospital, suf-fering from stab wounds.

It is alleged by the police that O'Neill did the stabbing. O'Neill says that he was fighting for his life, and that if he stabbed either or both of the men it was in self-defence.

BADLY BITTEN BY A MONKEY.

George O. Field, of Flushing, is suffering from a badly lacerated throat, the result of an experience with a monkey on Tuesday evening. The animal is owned by George Hoppe, proprietor of a hotel. Mr. Field was walking over the meadows, when suddenly the monkey made a leap for him, landed on his shoulders and bit him several times in the neck. The monkey was captured by Mr. Hoppe. Dr. E. P. Lawrence was summoned, and several stitches were put in the wounds.

MORE POISONED BY MILK.

SEVERAL CHILDREN MADE ILL IN ADDI-TION TO THE BELL FAMILY.

Milk poisoning is becoming common in Brooklyn In addition to the poisoning of Mrs. Dora Bell, of No. 289 Tenth-st., and her two children, Wilfred and Dorothy, as told in yesterday's Tribune, six new cases were reported vesterday.

Mrs. Towers, of No. 257 Tenth-st., said that two of her children, James, nine years old, and Elmer, four years old, were taken sick after drinking milk

and showed slight symptoms of poisoning. Mrs. Larcada, of No. 261 Tenth-st., said that her four children, Adele, thirteen years old; Alfred, eleven; Joseph, nine, and John, six, exhibited symptoms of poisoning after drinking milk. They

were taken sick a week ago. The milk in nearly all of these cases was pur chased in a neighboring grocery store. The Board of Health reported that the milk was not good. Mrs. Bell and her children are recovering family doctor said that his patients showed symp-

toms of arsenical poisoning.

Bell, who is a machinist, said that he did not blame the grocer, and that he did not suspect not blame the grocer, and that he did not suspect anybody of attempting to poison himself or his family. He thought it was purely an accident, as he believed that he had not an enemy in the world. Mr. Bell also said that his grocer received the milk in large tin cans, which he put into the store icebox. The milk was then taken from the large cans as the customers asked for it, and the store was kept neat and clean.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ANN MAITLAND FAIR.

Mrs. Ann Maitland Fair died on Wednesday a the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alice De Graff, o Bay Ridge, and was buried yesterday in the Quaker Cemetery in Prospect Park. Mrs. Fair was in her eighty-eighth year. She had lived in Bay Ridge for two years, and before that for twenty-five years in Chicago, where a son, Robert M. Fair, is of the firm of Marshall Field & Co. Mrs. Fair's granddaughter, the daughter of Mrs. De Graff, was mar-ried to Frank N. Doubleday, senior partner of the publishing firm of Doubleday & McClure, of Man-hattar.

H. JOSEPH WHITING.

Plainfield, N. J., July 27 (Special).-H. Joseph Whit ing, seventy-nine years old, died last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry A. McGee, of Orchard Place. Mr. Whiting lived nearly all his life in Brooklyn, and came to this city only four month He was identified with the Volunteer Fire-He leaves two children, Mrs men of Brooklyn. Henry A. McGee, of Orchard Place. North Pl. field, and ex-Mayor Whiting, of Bound Brook, funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at home of his daughter, and the burial will be Bound Brook

WON A HAT BY A HIGH DIVE.

A YOUNG WOMAN TOOK UP HER ESCORT'S "DARE" AND SCARED HIM.

For a bet of a new hat a young woman made dive yesterday afternoon off Bay Twenty-seventhst., Bensonhurst, from the topmast of a large schooner. The height was fifty feet above the water. A party of bathers in Gravesend Bay began dis

cussing high diving. Among them was Miss Irene L. Cameron, nineteen years old, a chorus girl in a company now playing in Manhattan. Miss Cameron was accompanied by Albert Strong, of No. 238 West Forty-seventh-st., Manhattan. She said she would not be afraid to dive from the topmast of a schooner that was some distance out from shore. Mr. Strong, never thinking his dare would be taken up, offered to bet a new hat that Miss Cameron would be afraid to make the dive. Without a oment's hesitation Miss Cameron swam to the schooner, and, climbing on board, asked permission from the captain to climb the rigging. He assented, and the girl quickly reached the topmast Her escort, becoming frightened and fearing she would hurt herself, begged Miss Cameron to come

would hurt herself, begged Miss Cameron to come down and he would buy the hat without her jumping for it.

Steadying herself carefully and measuring the distance to an inch, Miss Cameron dived off, and struck the water head first. Several people on shore thought the girl was killed, but to their relief Miss Cameron soon reappeared, and swam ashore. Mr. Strong had had enough for the day, and he quickly dressed, while the girl was complimented for her dive. Miss Cameron suffered no ill effects from her high dive, and went away with mented for her dive. Miss Cameron suffered no ill effects from her high dive, and went away with her escort to buy the hat she had won.

"THE BROOKLYN TIMES" TO REMAIN UNDER THE CONTROL OF HIS HEIRS—SERVANTS

The will of Bernard Peters was filed yesterday afternoon in the Surrogate's office. The testator leaves 20 semi-annually to Abigail Jane Ashutz, this sister-in-law; 320 to St. Lawrence University, to which he had already given 550 for the establishment of a free scholarship; to Marietta College Si.000 for a free scholarship for any descendant of his family or any descendant of a German emigrant, and if none of these should claim the favor, to any deserving young man that the trustees of the college may name.

Mr. Peters leaves to any faithful servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for en consecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for en consecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for enconsecutive years, 500, and 250 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for each servant who are the college of the college of the colle

ten consecutive years, 500, and 520 to any servant who at the time of his death was in his employ for five consecutive years.

All the rest of his estate, real and personal, he leaves to his wife, Camilla W. Peters, for life. After her death the entire estate is to be divided into three equal parts, one going to his son-in-law, William Cullen Bryant, and his daughter Marry; one to his son-in-law, James A. Sperry, and his daughter Emily, and the last to his son, Thomas P. Peters.

P. Peters.
Camilia W. Peters is named as executrix.
All dobts owed by the testator personally of by B. Peters & Co. he directs shall be paid out of the income from his estate. He desires that "The Brooklyn Times" shall be continued under the firm name of B. Peters & Co., and as long a possible under the direct control of his heirs Witnesses to the document were James Rodwell of Hancock-st., and the late William H. Gaynor.

TICKETS INSTEAD OF TIME TABLES.

MISTAKE IN DISTRIBUTION CAUSES TROUBLE FOR A BEACH RAILROAD.

Albert Davis, a messenger of the Brooklyn and Rockaway Beach Railroad Company, caused considerable trouble for the company by distributing a package of nine thousand car tickets instead of an equal number of time tables. He was told on Tues-day to take the package of time tables lying on the desk of the Canarsie office and distribute them throughout the Eastern District. Before he returned to the office William J. Warner, superin endent of the road, had discovered the loss, and had a policeman waiting for Davis. The latter protested his innocence, saying he had taken the package, supposing the tickets were to be given away. He was not arrested, but was discharged instead.

Instead.

Notices saying that the tickets had been stelen and would not be accepted were posted in prominent places in the company's office at Alabama and Atlantic aves. Several were offered to conductors and refused on Wednesday, causing great annoyance to the road.

SMALL FIRE AT BRIGHTON BEACH HOTEL There was a small fire at the Brighton Beach

Hotel yesterday morning at 2 o'clock, caused by the boiling over of a pot of fat, which had been left on the stove. The damage was placed at \$150. The fire was quickly extinguished by the hotel forces, aided by some of the cooler headed among the guests. Firemen from Coney Island and Sheepshead Bay soon arrived, and ran lines of hose into the kitchen, but there was no occasion to use them.

DIVIDING THE WHITNEY ESTATE. Mineola, Long Island, July 27.-Surrogate Robert

Seabury, of Nassau County, has granted letters of administration on the estate of Darling B. Whitney, of Oyster Bay, to Richard Downing and Edwin R. Whitney, a son. Dr. Whitney died in June, 1808, and until a few days ago, when Supreme Court Justice Maddox gave a decision, the property has been in dispute. The dispute began several months before the death of the doctor, in Febru ary, 1898, his son Edwin R. Whitney, having been indicted for destroying his father's will. He was

tried before Judge Moore and a jury, in the Queens County Court, and acquitted.

Under the law the estate will be apportioned as follows: Edwin R. Whitney, a son, \$5.250; Selah B. Whitney, a blind son, \$5.250; Jennie W. Carll, a granddaughter, \$5.250; Stanton J. F. Whitney, a grandson, \$1.750; Harriet E. Spicer, a granddaughter, \$1.750, and Roger N. Whitney, a grandson, now in the army at Manila, \$1.750.

LIGHTNING STRIKES ROCKVILLE CENTRE. Freeport, Long Island, July 27.-The house of

Charles Rogers, in Rockville Centre, was struck by lightning this evening and destroyed by the fire which resulted. The house is a total loss, and most of its contents were destroyed. Miss Ethel Rogers was stunned by the bolt, and is not expected to live. Several other members of the family were dazed, but recovered in a short time.

NEW JERSEY NEWS. BOTH HER LEGS CUT OFF.

MISS ADALINE MULLER RUN DOWN BY A TROLLEY CAR.

A YOUNG SCHOOL TEACHER CRIPPLED FOR

LIFE - BICYCLING IN A DANGEROUS

PLACE-HER COMPANION UNHURT. Miss Adaline Muller, twenty years old, of No. 116 orth Oxford-st., a substitute teacher in the Manhattan public schools, was run over by a Douglassst. trolley car, of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system, at Cumberland-st. and Atlantic-ave., last night at about 7:10 o'clock and both of her vere cut off just above the knees. Despite the terrible shock to her system, she soon regained consciousness, and the surgeons at the Brooklyn City Hospital, to which she was taken, expressed

the hope that she would survive.

Miss Muller and her chum, Miss Rippenberg, of the same address, started out for a spin on their wheels just before 7 o'clock, intending to stop and see some acquaintances in Sixth-ave. They rode through Cumberland-st. to Atlantic-ave., where an fron fence incloses the tracks of the Long Island Railroad. This point is the end of Cumberland-st. but there is a foot passageway across the tracks The path is guarded by iron gates, which are worked automatically by the switchman down the track. This passageway is about four feet wide and is hardly intended for bicyclists, although many expert riders take this route across the

tracks. The iron gates were open and Miss Muller her companion, according to the motorman on the car which ran over Miss Muller, did not dismount, but continued right across the steam tracks into Atlantic-ave. The trolley tracks of the Douglassst. line are close to the iron fence, but between the inner troiley track and the fence is a space of about five feet.

As soon as Miss Muller and Miss Rippenberg passed through the gates they turned sharply to the right down Atlantic-ave., placing themselves in the narrow space between the inside track and the iron fence. Along came the trolley car, bound for the Bridge, with John Lenihan, the motorman, clanging the bell.

'They didn't seem to realize that they were right

in front of me," said Lenihan to a Tribune reporter just before he was locked up by the police. They were chatting together, and didn't look They had come through the gates so quickly that they were alongside the track before knew it almost, and as soon as I saw the danger screwed on the brake. It is downhill right there, and the car was moving quite rapidly. Just as I came up to Miss Muller she turned to the left, trying to cross the track ahead of me. Her tire did not mount the rail. Her front wheel struck the side of the rail, the bicycle lurched to one side, the girl fell right on to the inside rail in front of the fender, and the front trucks passed over her and the wheel. I don't see how I was to blam all. She had fallen off before the fender struck her

There were about ten passengers in the car, an open one, and all was excitement in an instant. The motorman and conductor went to the assistance of Miss Muller, who was pinned under the rear truck of the car. They tried to lift her out, but her clothing was under the wheels, and she could not be lifted. She was unconscious at this

A crowd soon gathered, and twenty or thirty men and boys got hold of the side of the car nearest the fence and tried to lift it off the un-conscious woman, but it was too heavy. Then a nessage was sent to truckhouse No. 5, in Pacific-st., and the firemen came and lifted the car with

As soon as Aliss State: Was mere completely several. They were picked up several feet away, ne soon regained consciousness, and, looking tound, asked what had happened. When told he had been run over, she quickly asked if her et had been cut off. No one answered her, and en she said:

"Oh, this is terrible. Give me something to ske me unconscious again."

then she said:

"Oh this is terrible. Give me something to make me unconscious again."

Then the unfortunate girl closed her eyes and moaned: "Oh, what will poor mother do now?"

On the way to the Brooklyn City Hospital she seemed more concerned about her mother than herself. As soon as the accident happened, Miss Rippenberg, seeing what had befallen her friend, fainted away, and it was fifteen minutes before she was restored. She was so weak that she could give little assistance beyond telling her name and that of her friend. Miss Muller was taken to the hospital and her relatives were sent for She lives with her widowed mother and sister Hattie at the North Oxford-st, address. Her sister is a regular teacher, and Adaline had recently passed the examination for a regular place in the Queens County schools next fall. Miss Rupenberg is the daughter of a contractor. Miss Muller wore a regulation bicycle costume, with a white straw hat, a red waist and black and white checked shirt. She weighs about one hundred pounds and has light hair and blue eyes.

Lenihan is an experienced motorman, having been with the Nassau company eyer since it was started.

FORMER FRIENDS DENOUNCE CLARK.

HIS LATEST POLITICAL MOVE AROUSES MUCH

The political friends of ex-Alderman Joseph R. Clark are surprised at his action in deserting them for ex-Congressman Israel F. Fischer and his supporters. The former supporters of Mr. Clark held a caucus on Wednesday evening in the Fremont Republican Club, at Cleveland and Fulton sts. There were three representatives from each of the twenty-four districts in the Twenty-sixth Ward twenty-four districts in the Iwenty-sixin Ward.
The object of the meeting was to select a candidate from the ward to run for executive membership in the Republican Executive Committee, against the organization candidate, Mr. Fischer. George W. Bannerman, who has not trained with the organization for the last two years, was selected.

lected.

Adolph Kiendl and other speakers bitterly attacked Mr. Clark for his change of front. One of
the speakers declared that the deal meant that if
Mr. Fischer should be elected as executive member
he would resign after naming Mr. Clark to take

CLAIMANT FOR PITTARD'S ESTATE.

IT IS NOW IN THE POSSESSION OF MRS. ALTHEA PITTARD.

Mrs. Henrietta Maria Pittard, who says she omes from Bournemouth, England, appeared at the Surrogate's Office here yesterday and asked for letters of administration on the estate of the ate Captain Alfred Edward Pittard, of the Sandy Hook pilot service. She produced a will executed in London, England, on May 30, 1893. It was witnessed formally and gave all the property to his nessed formally and gave all the property to his wife, meaning apparently the woman in possession of the will. The executors named were John Ackerman, a pilot of Tompkinsville, Staten Island, and Captain Peter Partridge, of the pilot service, Captain Pittard left considerable property, on which letters of administration were issued on March 3 last to Mrs. Althea Pittard, of Brooklyn, who claimed to be his wife, and who now has control of the property.

LIFE SAVING STATION TO MOVE. Amagansett, Long Island, July 27.-The Amagan-

sett life saving station is to be moved from its present site near the road leading to the bathing each, some distance back from the beach, to a more desirable site further east, and nearer the

lookout at the Georgia station to the westward. lookout at the Georgia station to the westward, although the Napeague house, three miles further east, is plainly visible in clear weather. The new site will be on higher ground, and will place the three houses within signalling view of each other. The telephone lines are likely to get out of order during storms, and it is desirable that the international code signals be visible from station to station along the coast, or from vessels off shore. COLONEL DADY SAYS NOTHING.

Mr. Dady expects to have the decision reversed.

tion officials in the Fifth Ward.

Colonel Michael J. Dady, chairman of the Republican Executive Committee, refused yesterday to discuss the decision of County Judge Hurd, who

ter of Mrs. Margaret K. Burke, was married to Lucius Clark Main, son of Hubert P. Main, by the Rev. Dr. Spellmeyer, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. Samuel P. War-ren, late of Grace Church, New-York, presided at the organ. The couple went to Detroit to spend their honeymoon. stated that Mr. Dady had done wrong in having refused to accept ex-Sheriff Builling's selections, A PRISONER DIES FROM LOCKJAW as a member of the Executive Committee, of elec-

Paterson, July 27 (Special).-Sidney Fisher, thirty

ears old, who lived at No. 38 West-st., died from In reference to the talk that Mr. Buttling might press an alleged charge of mistepresentation against Mr. Dady. Hugo hirsh, counsel for the former, said. "I don't think Mr. Dady will be prosecuted if he resigns as chairman of the Executive Committee." ockjaw at St. Joseph's Hospital shortly after noon to-day. Fisher was serving time in the county jail, and was removed from that institution to the hospital yesterday. A bullet wound, apparently inflicted some time ago, was found in Fisher's abdo-

THE WORLD GREW STALE TO HIM

THE PHILADELPHIA GAS IMPROVEMENT

COMPANY SAID TO BE IN CONTROL.

There was a revival of rumors in Newark yes

interests in Eastern and Northern New-Jersey

most prominent in the deal are Vice-President

Hobart, ex-United States Senator Smith and

Bernard M. Shanley, Stocks of the corporations

included in the existing combinations have late-

ly been bought up in considerable quantities.

and it is believed with a view to securing con-

It is predicted that within six month

Philadelphia Gas Improvement Company will be the controlling factor in all the trolley, elec-

tric light and gas interests north of the Raritan

WANT TO ANNUL THE CONTRACT.

COUNCIL-IT HAS A SUSPICIOUS

Two years ago the Hoboken Water Commission-

ers made a contract with the Hackensack Water

favor that company.

Water Register Henry Lohman said yesterday:
"It is nonsense for the Council to attempt to assume control of the water supply, as that authority is vested in the Water Board alone, I do not feel the slightest fear that the Council will be able to upset the present contract. It is legal, and will stand." He said the city paid to the company \$152,546 in 1896, which was reduced to \$145,231 in 1897 and \$139,385 in 1898.

NAVAL RESERVES RETURN HOME.

NEW-JERSEY'S VOLUNTEER TARS WIN THE COM-

The United States auxiliary cruiser Prairie arrived at Hoboken yesterday morning with 161 men and 17 officers from the five divisions of the

New-Jersey Naval Reserves after a week spent at

Commander Irving of the Battalion of the East

POISON IN ROLLS.

AN APPARENT ATTEMPT TO KILL TWO JERSEY

The Jersey City police are investigating what is

believed to have been an attempt to poison the fam-

flies of Simon Kroll and Michael Lipschitz, at No.

177 Payonia-ave. Each found a package of rolls on the window sill a few days ago. They at first

Keiser, the foreman, heard a faint call for help from the vat, and he ran to the vat and peered in. Schobolowsky had been overcome by the foul gas and was lying in ten inches of water at the bottom. Keiser jumped into the vat to rescue the man, and while endeavoring to lift him was overcome and called for help. Several workmen responded and dragged him out. When Schobolowsky was taken out he was still alive, but he died in a few minutes. Keiser was taken to the City Hospital. The dead man leaves a family, at No. 46 Jones-st.

THE BOARDS DISAGREE.

IN CONSEQUENCE THE GREENVILLE SCHOOL-

HOUSE MAY NOT BE BUILT FOR

The prospect is not bright for a schoolhouse in

the Greenville section of Jersey City, to replace No.

20, which was destroyed by fire on February 13. The Board of Education has devoted several weeks to

Board of Education has devoted several weeks to preparing plans and has agreed on a building with twenty-six classrooms, to accommodate 1,400 pupils and to cost \$120,000. The Finance Board has refused to appropriate that amount, and wants a cheaper building. The Board of Education is not inclined to be a party to the erection of an inferior structure, and the indications are that nothing will be done. The Mayor recently sent communications to both Boards, urging them to take immediate action.

EXCITEMENT AT A FIRE.

Paterson, July 27 (Special).—There was plenty of

excitement at a fire which occurred in a tenement

house at No. 119 Slater-st. about 4 o'clock this

morning. The fire originated on the first floor,

which is occupied as a bakery by Eugene Stien-

hiber. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stewart, with their

hiber. Mr, and Mrs. Henry Stewart, with their three children, live on the second floor, and the flames were well started in that portion of the building when the firemen arrived. Exit by stairs was cut off, and the three Stewart children dropped from the window, luckily escaping injury. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart cried loudly for help. Mrs. Stewart weighs over three hundred pounds, and when a ladder was raised to the window great difficulty was encountered in getting the woman to step on it. Two firemen had to seize her and carry her to safety.

SMALL DAMAGES FOR DISFIGUREMENT

eight year old girl of this city, while walking near

pasture last May was attacked by a vicious cow,

a pasture last May was attacked by a vicious cow, which gored the girl in the face with one of its horns, nearly tearing her nose off and inflicting a scar from which the child is badly disfigured for life. In the Elizabeth District Court to-day ex-Alderman Oliver Story, the owner of the animal, was ordered by a jury to pay the girl \$100 for the injury she received.

Glen Ridge, July 27 (Special).-Bentley S. Hulin,

son of S. Marris Hulin, and Miss Jennie L. Parker,

of Kansas City, Mo., were married yesterday at noon at the home of the bride's brother, Dr. John Parker in Kansas City. The couple will live in Glen Ridge.

WEDDING AT ROSEVILLE

At the Roseville Methodist Church, Newark, on

Wednesday evening Miss Elia Stuart Burke, daugh-

Elizabeth, July 27 (Special).-Bertha Schuers, an

safety.

CITY FAMILIES.

APPEARANCE.

WILLIAM E. CARR THOUGHT TO HAVE ANOTHER TROLLEY RUMOR. KILLED HIMSELF-A NOTEBOOK SHOWS

THAT HE WAS DESPONDENT. Several small boys early yesterday morning found man's coat, waistcoat and hat, a notebook, the beach at West Twenty-second-st., Bayonne, terday of the consolidation of all the trolley Patrolman Haasmijler took the property to Bay. onne Police Headquarters for investigation. Most of the letters were addressed to William E. Carr, and the electric light and gas interests, under No. 1 Neury Place, Bayonne. The police learned the single control of the Philadelphia Gas Imthat Carr had boarded at that address with provement Company. It was said that the men

family named Lessman, and that he had been miss-

ing since Wednesday morning. Carr had been despondent over his failure to obtain employment. This fact is disclosed by sev eral of the letters. Among these are a few post-marked Chicago, and signed "L. C. G." The writer is evidently the missing man's sister. She says in one that she deeply regrets his unfortunate financial situation, and advises him to borrow some money, for which she agrees to be responsible. She also writes that she has paid several small debts which he incurred under like conditions. One of the letters is from Carr's brother. Waiter C. Carr, treaurer of the Brown-Green Company, lithographers and stationers at Nos. 38 and 40 Beaver-st. New-York. Other letters recommend Carr to railroad and corporation officials for employment.

The notebook indicates that Carr was somewhat morbid. It contains many poems, mostly sad and retrospective, the text heing illuminated in colors and embellished with drawings. On the front fly-leaf, engrossed and inclosed in a colored border, appears the fonowing stanza: is evidently the missing man's sister. She says in

A SCHEME BROACHED IN THE HOBOKEN

Company to supply the city with water for twentyfive years, and now the Com non Council wants the So far as can be ascertained Carr is a native of Lexington, Ky., his parents having been well to do. After leaving Chicago several months ago he went to live at No. 175 Conover-st., Brooklyn, He went to Bayonne a month or two ago, and was employed as a canvassing agent and collector by the Metropolitan Insurance Company. He sought to obtain a place in the office of some railroad or corporation. According to a resolution offered by Councilman Fitzpatrick at the Council meeting on Wednesday. "doubts exist as to the legality of the contract, as it is contended that the old contract was never legally terminated, and that the Water Commissioners had no authority to enter into the present contract. The quality of water is causing universal dissatisfaction and discontent."

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The Corporation Attorney was instructed to take steps to annul the contract, advise the Council as to the present obligations of the city to the water company under the old contract, and the proper legal manner to terminate it.

Although the old contract for fifteen years did not terminate till November, 1897, a new contract was made in the preceding April for twenty-five years. The East Jersey Water Company tried to secure the contract two years ago, but was unsuccessful, and it is now said that the Councilmen favor that company. corporation.

Mr. Lessman scouts the idea that Carr has committed suicide. He says that Carr may have been somewhat depressed, but that he had no reason to commit suicide, as he was earning a fair ivelihoed, and had prospects of better employment. Lessman also says that Carr was seen in Account. also says that Carr was seen in Avenue D. Bay onne, late on Wednesday evening.

TO ELECT A QUEEN ON SUNDAY.

THE HARRISON TRIBE OF GYPSIES EN. CAMPED NEAR PLAINFIELD.

Plainfield, July 27 (Special).-Encamped along the ountry road at the dividing line between Plainfield

country road at the dividing line between Plainfeld and Fanwood Township is the Harrison tribe of gypsies, called together by order of their queen, Snake Mary. A number of the families forming the tribe are already at the rendezvous, and others are expected this week. The horses are a striking feature of the encampment, the Harrisons being famous as horse dealers.

The purpose of the reunion is the election of a new queen for the tribe, who will succeed Snake Mary at the latter's death, and during her life-time will be associated with her in the government of the tribe, and will be initiated by her into the secret arts of fortune telling, etc. Snake Mary is now ninety-four years old, and it is her own desire that a successor be appointed. There are two candidates—Posy Deane Harrison, seventeen years old, and Laurel Harrison, sixteen years old. Both are tail, vigorous young women. Snake Mary is satisfied with either one, and the choice is to be made by a free vote of the families composing the tribe.

Commander Irving of the Battalion of the East when seen yesterday said: "The cruise was a success in every way, although we had a lot of bad weather. The men did all the work required of them, and the officers of the Prairie commended them for their good discipline and readiness to obey orders. These officers will make a report to the Navy Department, and a special report upon each officer. From what they told me I could gather that they considered our organization the equal of any and the superior of most of the reserve organizations that have been taken out to sea by the Prairie.

The two divisions of the Battalion of the West left Jersey City on the 12:15 train for Camden, over the Pennsylvania Railroad. made by a free vote of the families composing the tribe.

This election was to have taken place last Sunday, but a child in one of the families on the way to the reunion was taken lil at Bordentown, N. J., and the party was unable to proceed to the rendezvous. The election was therefore postponed, and is set for next Sunday. The families now in the camp have come from all parts of the country. The tribe is composed entirely of Harrison and Cooper families. They wander from place to place, but own property in New-Orleans, where the burial place of the tribe is situated.

Snake Mary, the present queen, married a Harrison as her first husband, but being left a widow became the wife of an Irishman named Riley, who joined the tribe.

A SHOOTING AT THE FEAST.

TWO MEN CELEBRATED THE FEAST OF ST. ANNE -ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL, THE OTHER

John Moloski, twenty-one years old, of Chrystie-st., Manhattan, was held by Acting Recorder Mo-Aleer, of Hoboken, yesterday, on a charge of shootthought it was a baker's mistake, and refrained ing Michael Perano, thirty-two years old, of No from touching them. Kroll's five-year-old son from touching them. Kroll's five-year-old son Louis saw the rolls lying on the table and ate a portion of one. He became fil, but not seriously. A portion of the roll was fed in milk to a cat, and the cat died in great agony. An analysis was made, and it was found the rolls contained strychnine. The police were informed. The two families state that they have no enemies that they are aware of, and they cannot give the slightest clew to the police as to who might have attempted to kill them. 91 Mulberry-st., Manhattan. Both men are Itallans, and they came over to Hoboken on Wednesday night to participate in the festivities attending the feast of St. Anne, which their countrymen were celebrating. During the fireworks display Perano fell, hit by a stray builet, which entered his back. Moloski was seen running away by Detective Kerrlgan, who called upon him to stop. He paid no heed, and in spite of several shots fired at him by the detective reached the underbrush at the foot of the Palisades, where he tried to hide. Kerrigan lost sight of him for about ten minutes, but found him, and took him to Police Headquarters, Perano was taken to St. Mary's Hospital, where, it is said, he may recover in spite of his serious injury. ians, and they came over to Hoboken on Wednes-

VALUATIONS IN HUDSON.

INCREASE IN THE COUNTY TAX RATE-A SMALLER LEVY FOR SCHOOLS.

The valuations of the municipalities in Hudso County reported to and fixed by the County Board of Equalization are as follows: Jersey City, \$80,-282,334; Hoboken, \$28,009,500; Bayonne, \$13,354,345; West Hoboken, \$5,759,200; Kearny, \$4,199,575; Town of Union, \$4,000,500; North Bergen, \$5,04,780; Harrison, \$3,512,150; West New-York, \$2,708,000; Weehaw-

son, \$3.512,150; West New-York, £7.08.000; Weehaw-ken, £2.630.000; East Newark, \$1.846,200; Guttenburg, £870.940; total, \$151,277.114.

The amount to be raised for county tax is £857,490 s8; of which Jersey City will pay £33,296. The amount to be collected for State school tax is £437,530.87, of which Jersey City will raise £363,817 s, making a total of £760.048 78 to be raised by Jersey City, in addition to the amount for local expenses. The county tax rate is £3.98, or 14 cents higher than for the current fiscal year. The State school tax rate is £71, or 7 cents less than for the current rent year.

TEMPERANCE WORKERS MEET.

Ocean Grove, July 27 (Special).-The four days' meeting of the National Temperance Society began this morning in the Auditorium. The attendance, considering the oppressive heat, was quite large. Bishop FitzGerald welcomed the cold water advocates to the Grove in a brief address in which he commended the far reaching work being accomcommended the far reaching work being accomplished in the interest of temperance by the society.

Joshua L. Bailey, of Philadelphia, president of the society, responded, and also delivered an address, tracing the history of the society, which was formed at Saratoga Springs in 1855. Great work, he said, is being done in the interest of temperance. The decanter no longer has the place it once occupied on the sideboard for the accommodation of the visitor, and the workingmen are learning that tippling injures rather than benefits them.

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The annual meeting of the National Advisory Board was held this afternoon, when President James B. Dunn and Secretary Ella Boole spoke. The addresses this evening were delivered by the Rev. Dr. T. L. Poulson and the Rev. Dr. D. H. Mann.

IT WAS VONHOUTEN'S BODY. Summit, July 27 (Special).—The dead body found with the throat cut in the Blue Jay woods belong-

ing to the Clarke estate, near Belleville, has been identified as that of John H. Vonhouten, the Madison cigar manufacturer, who has been missing from that city since July 8. Owing to the decomposed condition of the body County Physician Washington, of Essex County, had it buried early this morning, but not until Vonhouten's business partner. J. F. Bush, of Madison, had identified it. The razer found near the dead man was identified by 8 hardware dealer as the one he sold to Vonhouten the Saturday before he disappeared. As told in The Tribune at the time, it was supposed that he had committed suicide. Vonhouten leaves a widow and two adult daughters. Business had not been good for some time, and he was despondent. This and the fact that he lived in the same house where Metler, the Madison harness maker, who committed suicide in Louisville recently, formerly lived, are supposed to have affected his mind. that city since July 8. Owing to the decomposed

JOHN N. BODINE DEAD.

New-Brunswick, July 27 (Special).-John N. Bo dine, one of the best known citizens of Franklin Park, died at his home last evening, after an illness of two weeks. He was a member of the North Brunswick Township Committee. He was active in the work of the Reformed Church, and was superintendent of the Sunday school. He leaves a widow and two sons.

sey City, sailed for Europe yesterday on the Fürst Bismarck to join his wife and family, who went abroad several weeks ago. They will return in September. City Treasurer William C. Heppenheimer, of Jer-

GENERAL HEPPENHEIMER SAILS.

During the storm early last evening, Solomon Kiernan, a tea pedler, living at No. 18 Kossuth-st. Newark, attempted to drive across the Central

Railroad tracks, near the blue works. The storm prevented him from seeing an approaching train. The engine struck the wagon, wrecking it and killing the horse. Klernan was thrown thirty feet, and was so seriously injured that he died at St. Michael's Hospital.

RUN DOWN AT A GRADE CROSSING.